

STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SYBIL BRAND COMMISSION FOR INSTITUTIONAL INSPECTIONS KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION 500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, ROOM 372

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Wednesday, March 13, 2013 10:00 AM

AUDIO LINK FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING. (13-1363)

Attachments: AUDIO

Present: Chairperson Eleanor R. Montaño, Vice Chairperson Frank S. Bacio,

Commissioner Barbara Bigby and Commissioner Donald S. Andrews

Excused: Commissioner Cheryl Grills Ph.D., Commissioner Anne S. Hill

and Commissioner Susan Burton

Call to Order. (13-1163)

Chairperson Montano called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

Chairperson Montaňo led in the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a moment of silence.

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

1. Approval of the February 27, 2013 Minutes. (13-1164)

On motion of Vice Chairperson Frank S. Bacio, seconded by Commissioner Donald S. Andrews, and unanimously carried, the minutes of February 27, 2013 were approved.

Attachments: SUPPORTING DOCUMENT

2. Chairperson's Report on various items for March 13, 2013. (13-1165)

Chairperson Montaňo shared the following Newspaper Articles with the Commissioners:

Daily Breeze:

- Tanaka Announces Resignation as Undersheriff (March 7, 2013)
- Tanaka Re-Elected as Gardena Mayor (March 7, 2013)

Los Angeles Times:

- Tanaka's Welcome Departure (March 8, 2013)
- Sheriff's No. 2 Leader Resigns (March 7, 2013)

<u>Attachments:</u> <u>SUPPORTING DOCUMENT</u>

3. Discussion and approval to schedule the continuation of the Commissioner's workshop for April 3, 2013 or April 10, 2013. (13-1179)

Nyla Jefferson, Commission Services Staff, announced that Commander Warren Asmus agreed to attend the Commission meeting on April 10, 2013 to address questions regarding the jail inspection form. The workshop will follow the regular Commission meeting.

II. REPORTS

4. Treasurer's Report for March 13, 2013. (13-1169)

Vice Chairperson Frank S. Bacio reported that the current bank statement balance of the Commission's Charitable Fund is \$795.96.

5. Staff Report on Correspondence Received and Department Representative Reports for March 13, 2013. (13-1171)

Ms. Bolaji Famuyiwa, Commission Services Staff, reported that Commission's Scholarship Application Review and Presentation Timeline, and the Department of Auditor-Controller Children's Group Home Ombudsman Semi-Annual report, July 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012, were distributed.

6. Review of Group Home Compliance Monitoring Audit Reports presented on March 13, 2013. (13-1172)

In Compliance:

- Commissioner Bigby visited Children Are Our Future, Page 8, #1 (old book), on March 5, 2013. This was a follow-up visit from January 31, 2013 and corrections have been made.
- 7. Commissioners Reports on Group Homes and/or Detention Facilities Inspections from February 28, 2013 to March 12, 2013. (13-1173)

During the reporting period, the following Group Homes/Facilities were reported as being in satisfactory condition:

- Vice Chairperson Bacio visited B&I Group Home, Page 1, #4, on February 28, 2013.
- Chairperson Montaňo and Commissioner Andrews visited Dream Home Care #3, Page 13, #2, on March 5, 2013.

The facility was in immaculate condition, life books were excellent and quite a few children transitioned to college.

 Chairperson Montaňo, Vice Chairperson Bacio and Commissioner Andrews visited Clara Shortridge Foltz Criminal Justice Center on March 6, 2013.

The Commissioners' were concerned about the graffiti, inadequate staffing, the escort's lack of knowledge pertaining to the inspection reports, and the dirty vents on the 9th floor. The inspection was very disappointing, and the Commission plans to address their concerns at the next business meeting.

- Vice Chairperson Bacio visited East Los Angeles Superior Court on March 7, 2013.
- Commissioners Bigby and Hill visited the San Dimas Sheriff Station on March 7, 2013.

The night-shift escort was unable to provide adequate information for the inspection. Commissioners plan to return to tour the facility when the day-shift escort is available.

 Chairperson Montaňo and Commissioner Andrews visited Dream Home Care #2, Page, 13, #4, on March 11, 2013.

The home was very clean and well organized.

 Vice Chairperson Bacio visited the Century Sheriff's Station (Lynwood) on March 12, 2013.

Exterior surveillance cameras were not working in the parking lot.

 Chairperson Montaňo and Commissioners Burton and Grills visited the Century Regional Detention Center on March 12, 2013.

Commissioners complimented the excellent classes (sewing/GED) being offered, especially the course designed for women that have had problems with their fathers. There were concerns regarding inadequate staffing.

During the reporting period, the following Group Home was visited, but not inspected:

• Chairperson Montaňo and Commissioner Andrews visited the Ralston House, Page 9, #1, on March 7, 2013, but no one was at home.

III. DISCUSSION

8. Review of the Sybil Brand Commission's 2013 Scholarship Program timeline. (13-1310)

Commissioners provided the following updates to the Scholarship Application Review and Presentation Timeline form:

- To arrange timeline in chronological order
- Add application deadline May 15, 2013

The updated form will be distributed to the Commissioners at the March 20, 2013 meeting.

IV. MISCELLANEOUS

Matters Not Posted

9. Matters not on the posted agenda, to be discussed and (if requested) referred to staff or placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting, or matters requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take action came to the attention of the Committee subsequent to the posting of the agenda. (13-1168)

There were no matters presented for a future agenda.

Public Comment

10. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission. (13-1176)

There were no members of the public present to address the Commission.

Adjournment

11. Adjournment for the meeting of March 13, 2013. (13-1177)

There being no further business, Chairperson Montaño adjourned the meeting of March 13, 2013 at 11:25 a.m.